

NARSTO PAC2001 Cassiar Tunnel Gaseous and Particle Mass and Composition Data

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1. Data Set Description:

The **Cassiar Tunnel site** is located at 49.28139 N and -123.0318 W, at 40 m above sea level (a.s.l.). The tunnel is used mostly by light duty traffic with peak traffic volumes at rush hours. The goal of measurements at this site was to reduce the uncertainty in mobile source inventory for gas and particle emissions from light duty traffic sources, emphasizing the emissions of the precursors to PM formation and primary PM emissions for comparison with tailpipe emissions data from traditional testing conducted in laboratory on mobile source emissions, particularly for mass emission rates and chemical profiles. Duration of the emission study was from August 3rd to 10th, 2001.

For several measurements, different sampling and analytical techniques were used as a check on the accuracy of the measurements. For most gas measurements, two sets of instruments were deployed, one at each end of the tunnel, whereas most of the PM measurements were conducted at the exit end of the tunnel. Gas measurements included the typical pollution gases (SF6 as the tracer, NOx, N2O, CO, CO2, methane, SO2, VOCs, carbonyls, organic acids, NH3, Graham and Gray, 2002). The PM chemical and physical properties were measured in great details. For physical properties, particle number size distributions from 10 nm to 3 µm were measured, and hygroscopic properties were measured at two sizes (Prenni et al., 2002). Chemical measurements characterized the mass, inorganic and carbonaceous compositions of the primary particles.

Measurements at the Cassiar Tunnel Site

Measurements		Technique	Time resolution	Frequency
Gas phase	NO ₂	DNPH cartridges	3-h	3 day ⁻¹
measurements	Organic acids	KOH-impregnated filters-IC	3-h	3 day ⁻¹
	C ₁ -C ₇ carbonyls	DNPH-cartridges	3-h	3 day ⁻¹
	NMHCs, including aromatics	Canisters-GC/FID	3-h	3 day ⁻¹
	CO, CO ₂ , CH ₄ , N ₂ O, SF ₆	Canisters-GC	3-h	3 day ⁻¹
Particle characterization measurements	PM1, PM2 _{0.5} mass	Low-vol FP-microbalance weight difference	3-h	3 day ⁻¹
	OC/EC (<1 μm), OC/EC (<2.5 μm)	Low-vol FP-thermal optical detection	3-h	3 day ⁻¹
	Black carbon	PSAP - Absorption	1-h	Continuous
	Trace organic species- organic ions, inorganic ions	Low-vol FP-IC	3-h	3 day ⁻¹
	Trace metals	Low-vol FP-XRF	3-h	3 day ⁻¹
	Number size distribution (0.06-0.3 µm))	Differential mobility analyzer (DMA)	10-min	Continuous

The Pacific 2001 Air Quality Study (PAC2001) was conducted from 1 August to 31 September, 2001 in the Lower Fraser Valley (LFV), British Columbia, Canada. The study consisted of individual research projects organized to address several issues on ambient particulate matter and ozone that are important to policy makers. A special issue of Atmospheric Environment [Vol. 38(34), Nov 2004] describes specific study objectives (Li, 2004) and presents a series of results papers from the field study. The ground sampling sites during the study were (1) Cassiar Tunnel, (2) Slocan Park, (3) Langley Ecole Lochiel, (4) Sumas Eagle Ridge, and (5) Golden Ears Provincial Park and aloft measurements were taken from a Convair 580 and a Cessna 188. Selected measurement data have been compiled for each site and aircraft and are archived as site-specific data sets.

The data set should be cited as follows:

Li, Shao-meng. 2004. NARSTO PAC2001 Cassiar Tunnel Gaseous and Particle Mass and Composition Data. Available on-line via NARSTO Data and Information at the Atmospheric Science Data Center at NASA Langley Research Center, Hampton, Virginia, U.S.A.

2. Sample Data Record/Data Format:

Data files are in the NARSTO Data Exchange Standard (DES) format that is described in detail on the NARSTO Quality Systems Science Center (QSSC) web site. The files follow a tabular layout and are stored as ASCII comma-separated values files (.csv). The DES does not rely on row position to identify specific information, but uses a tag to describe the information contained in the row. The DES is a self-documenting format with three main sections: the header contains information about the contents of the file and the data originator; the middle section contains metadata tables that describe/define sites, flags, and other codified fields; and the final section is the main data table that contains key sampling and analysis information and the data values. Descriptions of the standardized metadata fields are also available on the QSSC web site.

Archived Cassiar Tunnel Data Files

Data File Names	Link to Time Series Plots of Reported Variables (PDF)
NARSTO_PAC2001_CSRT_LAG_ACIDS_FP-IC- CE_20010809D7_V1.csv	View CSRT_LAG_ACIDS_FP-IC-CE_20010809D7
NARSTO_PAC2001_CSRT_LAG_CARBONYLS_DNPH- HPLC_20010809D7_V1.csv	View CSRT_LAG_CARBONYLS_DNPH-HPLC_20010809D7
NARSTO_PAC2001_CSRT_LAG_GASES_CANISTER_20010809D7 _V1.csv	View CSRT_LAG_GASES_CANISTER_20010809D7
NARSTO_PAC2001_CSRT_LAG_HALOVOC_CANISTER_20010809 D7_V1.csv	View CSRT_LAG_HALOVOC_CANISTER_20010809D7
NARSTO_PAC2001_CSRT_LAG_IONS-PM25_FP-IC- CE_20010809D7_V1.csv	View CSRT_LAG_IONS-PM25_FP-IC-CE_20010809D7
NARSTO_PAC2001_CSRT_LAG_METALS-PM10_FP- XRF_20010809D7_V1.csv	View CSRT_LAG_METALS-PM10_FP-XRF_20010809D7
NARSTO_PAC2001_CSRT_LAG_METALS-PM1_FP- XRF_20010809D7_V1.csv	View CSRT_LAG_METALS-PM1_FP-XRF_20010809D7
NARSTO_PAC2001_CSRT_LAG_METALS-PM25_FP- XRF_20010809D7_V1.csv	View CSRT_LAG_METALS-PM25_FP-XRF_20010809D7
NARSTO_PAC2001_CSRT_LAG_NMHC1_CANISTER_20010809D7 _V1.csv	
NARSTO_PAC2001_CSRT_LAG_NMHC1_CONT_CANISTER_2001 0809D7_V1.csv	View CSRT_LAG_NMHC1_CONT_CANISTER_20010809D7
NARSTO_PAC2001_CSRT_LAG_NMHC2_CANISTER_20010809D7 _V1.csv	View CSRT_LAG_NMHC2_CANISTER_20010809D7
NARSTO_PAC2001_CSRT_LAG_NMHC2_CONT_CANISTER_2001 0809D7_V1.csv	View CSRT_LAG_NMHC2_CONT_CANISTER_20010809D7
NARSTO_PAC2001_CSRT_LAG_OCEC_FP- TOT_20010809D7_V1.csv	View CSRT_LAG_OCEC_FP-TOT_20010809D7
NARSTO_PAC2001_CSRT_S-L_PART-FATTY- ACIDS_20010810D05_V1.csv	View CSRT_S-L_PART-FATTY-ACIDS_20010810D05
NARSTO_PAC2001_CSRT_S-L_PART- OHSSTEROLS_20010810D05_V1.csv	View CSRT_S-L_PART-OHSSTEROLS_20010810D05
NARSTO_PAC2001_CSRT_WRL_HYGGRO_HTDMA_20010812D3_ V1.csv	View CSRT_WRL_HYGGRO_HTDMA_20010812D3
NARSTO_PAC2001_CSRT_J-R_PAH_HIVOL_20010810D5_V1.csv	View CSRT J-R PAH HIVOL 20010810D5
NARSTO_PAC2001_CSTN_J-R_AROM- ACIDS_HIVOL_20010810D5_V1.csv	View CSTN J-R AROM-ACIDS HIVOL 20010810D5
NARSTO_PAC2001_CSTS_J-R_AROM- ACIDS_HIVOL_20010810D5_V1.csv	View CSTS J-R AROM-ACIDS HIVOL 20010810D5
NARSTO_PAC2001_CSTN_R-M_PART- ORG_HIVOL_20010809D6_V1.csv	View CSTN R-M PART-ORG HIVOL 20010809D6
NARSTO_PAC2001_CSRT_S-S_BC_PSAP_20010808_D04_V1.csv	View CSRT S-S BC PSAP 20010808 D04

Pacific 2001 data file names are comprised of nine sections, defined as follows:

Model file name: NARSTO_PAC2001_SLPK_JRB_MET_TOWER_200108D75_V1.csv

Archive project: NARSTO
Study acronym: PAC2001

3. Site ID / Aircraft ID: 4-character abbreviation

Study site and aircraft abbreviations

Abbreviation	Site Name
BNDB	Boundary Bay
CSRT (CSTN, CSTS)	Cassiar Tunnel
GEPP	Golden Ears Provincial Park
LNEL	Langley Ecole Lochiel
LPHS	Langley Poppy High School
SLPK	Slocan Park
SLPS	Slope Study
SMMT	Sumas Mountain
CSNA	CFS Cessna 188
CNVR	NRC-IAR Convair 580

4. Principal Investigator ID: Initials (3 characters)

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- 5. Measurement activity: General measurement type
- 6. Instrument name or analysis method: General analysis method
- 7. Sampling date with sampling days or flight number:
 - For Ground-based measurements:

The first date in the data file (YYYYMMDD), followed by the letter "D" and the total number of sampling days.

- Examples:
 - 20010801D1 (starting August 1, 2001, total of 1 day)
 - 20010815D61 (starting August 15, 2001, total of 61 days)
- For Aircraft measurements:

The first date in the data file (YYYYMMDD), followed by the letter "F" and the flight number for the date.

- Examples:
 - 20010815F1 (first flight on August 15, 2001)
 - 20010815F2 (second flight on August 15, 2001)
- 8. Archive data file version number: The file version number starts at "V1". The version number is incremented if the archive data file is replaced.
- Suffix: .csv (comma separated values)

3. References:

- Graham, L., Gray, C., 2002. Pacific 2001: Cassiar Tunnel study gaseous emissions measurements. Presentation at the Symposium on Atmospheric Aerosols and Pacific 2001 Field Study, 85th CSC Conference, Vancouver, Canada, June 1-5, 2002.
- Prenni, A.J., Kreidenweis, S.M., DeMott, P.J., 2002. Hygroscopic growth measurements during PACIFIC 2001. Presentation at the Symposium on Atmospheric Aerosols and Pacific 2001 Field Study, 85th CSC Conference, Vancouver, Canada, June 1-5, 2002.
- Li, Shao-Meng. 2004. A concerted effort to understand the ambient particulate matter in the Lower Fraser Valley: the Pacific 2001 Air Quality Study. Atmospheric Environment, Volume, 38(34), pp. 5719-5731. (Pacific 2001 Special Issue)

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